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Applicant(s): E. HEBERT *et al.*

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For: METHOD OF FORMING A MULTILAYER GOLF
BALL WITH A THIN THERMOSET OUTER LAYER

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 19, 2002, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry and consideration during the examination of the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

A marked up version of the revised claims, showing insertions and deletions, is included in Appendix A. Please amend the claims as follows:

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13. (Amended) The method of claim 12 further comprising the step of allowing the thermoset material to reside in the first mold half for about 50 to 80 seconds before the golf ball core is placed into the thermoset material.

[Please add the following new claims:]

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20. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the inner cover layer is formed of a material having a shore D hardness that is about 5 to about 50 greater than the shore D hardness of the thermoset material forming the outer cover layer.